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PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON THE JUNE 9, 2020 FILING BY THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION IN PS DOCKETS 19-351 AND 19-352

PS Docket No. 19-351 (Huawei Designation)
PS Docket No. 19-352 (ZTE Designation)

Comment Date: June 19, 2020

By this Public Notice, the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau) of the Federal Communications Commission seeks comment on the June 9, 2020 filing of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) in PS Dockets 19-351 and 19-352 relating to the designations of Huawei Technologies Company (Huawei) and ZTE Corporation (ZTE).¹

In the *Protecting Against National Security Threats Order*, the Commission initially designated Huawei and ZTE as national security threats to the integrity of communications networks and the communications supply chain.² The Commission directed the Bureau to determine whether to finalize the designations of Huawei and ZTE, which would have the effect of prohibiting the use of Universal Service Fund (USF) support to procure or otherwise support equipment or services produced or provided by those two companies.³ On June 9, 2020, NTIA submitted a filing providing additional information for the Bureau to consider. By this Public Notice, the Bureau seeks comment on this filing.

Interested parties are invited to file comments on or before June 19, 2020. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS).

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the internet by accessing the ECFS: <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/>.
- Paper Filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing.

¹ See Letter from Douglas W. Kinkoph, Associate Administrator, Office of Telecommunications and Information Applications, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, to Ajit Pai, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, PS Docket Nos. 19-351, 19-352; WC Docket No. 18-89 (filed June 9, 2020).

² *Protecting Against National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs*, WC Docket No. 18-89, Report and Order, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, and Order, 34 FCC Rcd 11423, 11439-40, para. 43 (2019) (*Protecting Against National Security Threats Order*).

³ *Id.* at 11449, paras. 64-65; *see id.* at 11483, para. 170 (“[U]se of USF support to procure or otherwise support equipment or services produced or provided by these two companies has not and will not be disallowed until such time as PSHSB issues a public notice announcing its final determination and the effective date of any potential final designation of one or both of these companies.”).

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⁴ 47 CFR §§ 1.1200 *et seq.*

⁵ *Id.* §§ 1.1202(a)-(b), 1.1208.